

February 13, 2012

Dear Parent(s), Guardian(s) and Students,

Improving the quality of life for all residents has been the driving force behind the goals I have set for my administration. The key to this effort is ensuring that all of our children have access to a high quality education. In a society that has transformed from a manufacturing-based economy to a knowledge-based economy, education becomes the gateway to opportunity. As such, the Frank Jackson-Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs Scholarship has been established and is open to Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD) students and children of City of Cleveland employees who are interested in pursuing a full-time college education. Specifically, this scholarship will benefit a student majoring in urban studies, urban planning or public administration.

Students will have an opportunity to apply for the following scholarship beginning fall semester, August 2012:

One \$2,000 scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior or undergraduate majoring in urban studies, urban planning or public administration, and attending the Levin College of Urban Affairs at Cleveland State University.

The candidate must meet the following criteria:

- Student is a graduating senior attending a CMSD high school or child of a City of Cleveland employee who is a high school senior or undergraduate student
- Student is or will be majoring in urban studies, urban planning or public administration at Cleveland State University
- Student must be enrolled full-time
- Student has earned a minimum grade point average of 2.5
- Student must complete an essay (details on application)

Applicants must apply online at <u>www.uncf.org</u>. Certified transcripts and two letters of recommendation must be uploaded with the application.

The deadline for applications is Friday, April 6, 2012. All applicants will be notified of scholarship award decisions by Tuesday, May 1, 2012. For more information, contact Monyka Price, Chief of Education, at 216-420-8087.

Sincerely,

Frank G. Jackson, Mayor